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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COMBINING MULTIPLE SATELLITE CHANNELS INTO A VIRTUAL COMPOSITE CHANNEL**

the specification of which (check one) ☐ is attached hereto or ☒ was filed on 11/12/99 as Application No. 09/438,865 and was amended on      (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed  
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) below.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMBINING MULTIPLE SATELLITE CHANNELS INTO A VIRTUAL COMPOSITE CHANNEL

**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMBINING MULTIPLE SATELLITE CHANNELS INTO A VIRTUAL COMPOSITE CHANNEL described in

- ☐ the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.  
☒ application no. 60/142,179, filed July 1, 1999.  
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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time or paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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Robert F. Friedman

NAME OF INVENTOR

Robert F. Friedman

Signature

October 5, 1999

Date

# ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Robert F. Friedman made certain inventions or discoveries (or both) set forth in an Application for Letters Patent of the United States of America entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COMBINING MULTIPLE SATELLITE CHANNELS INTO A VIRTUAL COMPOSITE CHANNEL

\_\_\_\_\_ issued as U.S Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ filed as U. S. Serial No. 09/438,865  
 \_\_\_\_\_ filed herewith

WHEREAS, VIRTUAL SATELLITE CORP., whose address is 4 Lovers Lane, Fayetteville, Arkansas 72702-3780, and who, together with its successors and assigns is hereinafter called "Assignee", is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest together with the benefits and privileges hereinafter recited;

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration furnished by Assignee to us, receipt and sufficiency of which we hereby acknowledge, effective as of the date this document is executed, hereby, without reservation;

1. Assign, transfer and convey to Assignee the entire right, title and interest together with the benefits and privileges in and to said inventions and discoveries, said Application for Letters Patent or similar forms of protection of the United States of America, and all other applications for Letters Patent on said inventions and discoveries in whatsoever countries, including all divisional, renewal, substitute, continuation and convention applications based in whole or in part upon said inventions or discoveries, or upon said application, and any and all Letters Patent, reissues and extensions of Letters Patent or similar forms of protection granted for said inventions and discoveries or upon said applications, and every priority right that is or may be predicated upon or arise from said inventions, said discoveries, said applications and said Letters Patent;

2. Authorize Assignee to file patent applications in any or all countries or groups of countries on any or all of said inventions and discoveries in our name or in the name of Assignee or otherwise as Assignee may deem advisable, under the International Convention or any other relevant convention or treaty or otherwise;

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF

Date 7/30/01

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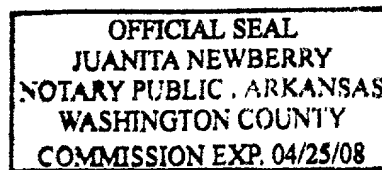
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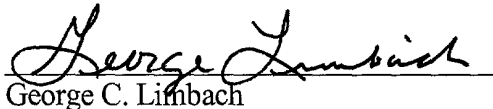
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